

## NYE'S TITLE TRUST.

A Chance for Decayed Foreigners to Market Their Crests.

### OPTIONS ON TITLES SECURED.

Sealed Proposals From American Girls Invited—"Marrying Clothes" Furnished High-Born Paupers of Europe.

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Money will buy almost everything but contentment and history. When we seek to purchase these articles, there is bound to be more or less dissatisfaction. We may buy the armor of dead crusaders, and bring to Milwaukee the windmills and memorial windows of the deceased past, but the glory that accumulates about an old and honored name and the content which follows a duty well done cannot be bought at any price.

Lately, however, an attempt has been occasionally made to swap the American dollar for the foreign title, and with more or less success. The great trouble seems to be that the disagreeable details and preliminaries cost more than the title. Acting on this suggestion, I have decided to establish a Title Trust and Intelligence office with branches in New York, London and Paris. Promoters will aid the trust in the heretofore disagreeable task of swapping currency for titles, so that the tedious job of rooting about among the ruins of old families all over Europe for high-bred paupers, may be almost entirely avoided.

Again, as it is now, titled young men abroad do not market themselves with the same skill or to the same advantage that they might if they would establish and maintain rates. Titled people, like literary people, do not know how to get the best prices for their wares, and so lose good bargains.

Now, my idea is to buy up all the broken-down bachelors who are titled, with the understanding that each is to furnish an abstract of title to the trust and bind himself to stand ready to respond to a cable or night message and marry such person or persons as the board of directors shall have decided upon.

Marrying clothes will be furnished by the treasurer, on an order from the board, counterbalanced by the president. A circular, now being prepared for circulation this winter through the seminaries, and next summer at the watering places, will more fully set forth the plan of the association.

We already have options on nearly twenty titles, which will give us a good start and place the scheme on its feet. All business will be done on a percentage, and a percentage from the bride, and also a percentage on the dowry at the time of its payment to the groom. We also have the names and descriptions, together with certified checks from three or four American young women who are now examining our goods, and who hope to deal with us.

I am not permitted to use names, and so have substituted fictitious ones in the descriptions here given, but I will print briefly a few words regarding our list, both of names in stock and probable purchasers.



Miss Cynthia Swatthammer, the only daughter of Colonel Jasper Swatthammer, a wealthy manufacturer and upholsterer of Swatthammer's Maroon Colored Sausages, for intended use in offering in the market of approved paper, \$250,000 for a new or secondhand duke in good repair. She is five feet nine inches high with coral hair and perfectly sound. She cannot cook or sing a note, but is a good reader, and has a dog with which to begin housekeeping. She is very fond of pets, but her teeth are still good.

Miss Fannie Briggs, an only child, aged forty-seven years, will trade a good cattle ranch and a tough, old heart for a bright, little duke who does not know very much. She is "dark complexioned," who says, and loves her home. She has 1,100 head of range cattle, and has just received an invoice of choice Texas trail cattle. She gets along well without affection, and sits jauntily in the saddle with one foot under each flank of her horse. For five years she rode unarmed over the plains, hoping to be captured by some lawless man, and as soon as she was lawless man, say her way to another territory. She can hold a Texas cow with one hand and milk her with the other, and she sometimes slices a little, accompanying herself on the accordion.

Miss Violet Beard would be willing to trade a cranberry marsh in Burnett county, Wisconsin, for a count who loves his home and knows how to pick cranberries for market or run errands. The marsh would be delivered at the altar, if desired. It is well fitted up, with a cabin for pickers, and is nicely arranged for floating the vines during the summer. Miss Beard is four feet nine inches in height, and wears a corset that would fit a horse or two, and is very well indeed. She has had little schooling, but is self-made, with the exception of her Sunday toques which was made for her in St. Paul.

Miss Precious Johnson, a two-headed colored girl, who has been for some years in the museum and freak industries, will swap a plantation in Mississippi and an accordion for a good duke who is accustomed to the care of horses. Permanent job for a duke who knows his business and is not afraid to work. Miss Johnson would be away winters, and would want a trusty husband who is used to the care of children. She is a little below the medium height, with dark glossy hair, rather inclined to curl. She has a good deal of a good deal, and sings easily with both voices. She has sung for several crowned heads, and wears a deolette dress for evening, and a V shaped and filled in with some dark material. Miss Johnson values her plantation at \$150,000, and would want a duke that could take the lead as a cotton boss, also break colts or do light house work.

I have only space for the description of a partial list of titled photographs who have already sent in their photographs and abstract of title with crest of the owners. Every mail, however, is bringing letters in answer to our circulars sent abroad, and by the holidays business will be humming, I think. Pleditions names, of course, are given, because we cannot betray the business entrusted to us, in my opinion, an opinion, I may say, in which I am joined by the president of our board, Mr. C. P. Huntington.

Lord Reconnance Von Saffen is a stout-built man of middle age, who has been robbed of his wife four times. His title extends back as far as the mortgage on his house and lot. He is of a sandy complexion with a bright red beard.

he wears full, in order to have it harmonize with his habits. He was wounded by a



LORD RECONNANCE VON SAFFEN.

double barrel shot gun at one time, but it gives him no inconvenience at all, especially while standing up. He dresses plainly and eats opium between meals.

The Baron de Rumsey has a title in soak, which he can regain by putting up \$50,000 and interest. He will consider proposals from a bright, young, American girl with that amount of ready money, providing she does not care for insinuating affection. The baron is fifty-three years of age, but well preserved—in alcohol. He has traveled a good deal, mostly on foot, late years, and can wait on the table or take care of a furnace. He has spent two years in Switzerland, both as porter and head waiter, and can talk well on hotel life on the continent. He speaks two languages, and also understands the barber business.

Lord Peasecod is young, scarcely nineteen, but desires to realize on his title at an early date. He does not pine so much for affection, but writes us that he has had hardly anything to eat for nearly a year. He would like to receive vestments and a sack of flour from a wealthy American family as soon as possible. It must be early, as the offer will not be held open long. The daughter of a Provisional and Grocery dealer, or Haro and Bacon fancier would be desirable. Lord Peasecod has a kind heart, is simple in his tastes, and draws a little when he talks. His photograph shows a young man who may know something later on, but has not given his attention to it yet. His title is clear, but his brain is not. He may be often discovered by himself, wondering where he has left his thinker. A good, strong minded girl, say eighty-five years of age, with a butcher shop and a watermelon patch has a glorious opportunity here to win a young heart, such as it is, and become at the same time Lady Peasecod. He is tired of living on a crest with fried mush three times a day. His crest consists of a sage worm, ramshorn on a field, devastated, over a sausage recusant. His brains were once said to be in good working order, but they have worked long now while the weather was warm, and he lately has to sprinkle chlorides on them while thinking.

Count Aleck Cheeseman, surmamed Aleck the Smart, will consider sealed proposals from American girls or widows up to 12 o'clock on the 31st of December, A. D. 1889. He sets an price on his title, but will close with the best offer, our bureau to receive its percentage both from the count on his receipt of the dowry and from the bride on receipt of the title. This is cheaper than watering place jockeying, and avoids newspaper gossip during the preliminaries. Count Aleck the Smart is a divorced gentleman of culture without means. He has published a hand book of note which the weather was warm, and the heavy-set mouth of the hippopotamus. He dances well and drinks other peoples' whiskey almost exclusively. Yet his title runs back as far as the eye can reach, and his price is fair enough under the circumstances. The ladies he has heretofore married have agreed not to molest him in the future, provided he will abstain from marrying them any more.

Count Aleck the Smart has tasted every pleasure in life with the exception of being a gentleman for fifteen minutes by the watch. He readily says anything he can overtake, and says eyether and nyether in society.

I would be glad to receive any and all correspondence relating to this new trust with which I am so favored, and trust that the trust may work inaudible benefit to both our own country and the tottering dynasties of the old world. All letters should be addressed to me personally, and will be regarded with the strictest confidence, as I shall not allow any one to see them except my wife.

S. D.—We will not offer anything on a title which is backed by nothing but a half-pound seal ring and a rubber stamp crest for marking linen. We must have abstract of title or there will be no trade. In a year from now we propose to control the duke business absolutely.

Will you attend to this matter now or wait till prices have advanced? Please do not send certified checks to Mr. Huntington. They will receive much more prompt attention if sent direct to me, and if no deal is made, I will return the money after a while. B. N. Y.

## THE GENTLER SEX.

Frances Hodgson Burnett's husband is an oculist of reputation.

Isabelle Urquart has seventeen mirrors in her private apartment.

Mrs. Langtry has had a good deal of success in the English provinces.

Mme. Clara Schumann, the distinguished pianist, recently completed her 70th year.

Mrs. Rose Terry Cooke is now seldom able to leave her room and can do little literary work.

Sarah Orne Jewett is said to write an average of 2,300 words a day, with 6,000 as a high water mark.

Somebody has called Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Miss Olive Schreiner and Mrs. Deland the agnostic trinity.

Mrs. Mary Nash Agnew, of the New York board of education, is not in sympathy with woman suffrage.

Miss Pauline Hall decorates her pretty ears with large diamond hoops, in the center of which big solitaires sparkle and flash.

Although not yet 30 years of age, Miss Mary Garrett handles the Garrett railroad and banking interests like a veteran manager.

Mme. Giulia Valda, Abbey's new prima donna, has to have a quart of Florida water after her bath to take off the scent of soap suds.

Miss Minnie Gilmore has more than the average amount of aesthetic taste. She designs all her dresses and wears one color through an entire season.

Miss Cornelia Meyers, of Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., is the proud possessor of a piano once owned by the wife of President John Quincy Adams.

Theresa Malten, the prima donna at the Bayreuth performances, recently received a beautiful bracelet, set with diamonds and sapphires, from the German emperor.

Mme. LeRay, the mother of the Duke of Abrantes and of the Countess Faverney, has just undertaken a journey to Persia, in furtherance of her archaeological studies.

Miss Ying, the daughter of the new Chinese minister to the United States, is a pretty young girl of 16. She has the blackest of hair and eyes and a creamy complexion.

Miss Wansmaker is a tall, lithe young woman who looks as though she could fence, row or wield a racquet. She is rather handsome and her face indicates perfect health. She is clever and witty and is a great reader.

Carmen Sylva, the gifted Roumanian queen, has recently published a rhapsody, "Dimbovitza." This work consists of a collection of folk lore poems, which Helen Vacaresco, the favorite lady in waiting to the queen of Roumania, has gathered in her wanderings among the peasants.

Mrs. Mary Mapes Dodge has edited The St. Nicholas Magazine from the tops of the Catskill mountains since June. She has a cottage at Ontonago which she calls "Yarrow." It is built of slabs on the outside, and its roof runs down and forms the wide piazza which commands the valley and the mountains beyond.

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